

Note for Young, Tracy

From: Kuffler, Marc
Date: Fri, May 5, 1995 3:14 PM
Subject: RE: DP For Van Program
To: Schneidman, Eileen
Cc: Berner, Vicki; Gross, Deane; Young, Tracy

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Frankly, Nancy is not comfortable with virtual reality and I don't know if it should appear on what seems to be a "high level" document.

Your thoughts? Eileen

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From: Kuffler, Marc on Thu, May 4, 1995 11:11 PM
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To: Ballenger, Liz
Cc: Harkins, Brian; Johnston, Jerry; Schneidman, Eileen; Webber, Chris
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Hi Liz,

This DP is almost ready for liftoff, would like to circulate for signature next week. It is for the Marlboro Van Program. Wanted to send it to you first so you could give it the "once over". Please let me know what you think.

Thanks,

Marc

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